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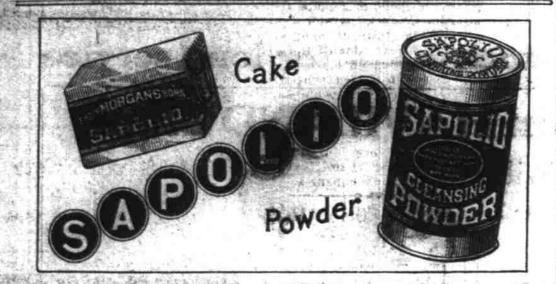
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Some Critics Hold Invention ed and recharged 550 times, while the platform was in motion. This was to determine whether the battery would stand up in use in a supmarine travel-

think caused the F-4 disaster—an ex- about once a week. plosion after the ignition of hydrogen and oxygen gas generated by lead batteries. Other critics say the Edison invention is not a particularly new

Mr. Edison himself wishes to reserve decision until after a conclusive test in actual under-sea service. The New York World of August 30, for our navy.

publishes the following news about the Edison battery:

would not generate chlorine gas or chlorine gas, any other dangerous fumes. The ofany other dangerous fumes. The of-ficers said our navy had been handi-the Brooklyn Navy Yard had been direction for the first year of war, and

"With the Edison battery, it is said, submarine." chlorine gas but as the battery is lighter, smaller and of greater capacity the undersea and greater capacity the undersea and greater capacity the greater capacity the undersea and greater capacity the undersea and greater capacity the great our submarines not only will have the The Case of the F-4. lighter, smaller and of greater capac- aster to the F-4 in Honolulu harbor ity the undersea cruising power of the will show that an explosion occurred boats will be increased. It is said the after the ignition of hydrogen and

plosion ing in a continuous seaway. It did, triumphantly. The test to which the battery was subjected, it is figured, storage battery may make impossible was equivalent to 10 years' service in the accident which some naval critics a submarine, which is charged only

"It was alleged before a Congressional committee last December that much of the socalled unpreparedness of our submarines was due to lead battery troubles. Following these statements Secretary Daniels ordered Edison batteries installed in the L-8, the largest submarine ever designed

"This was followed by an order to equip the E-2 with Edison batteries. "That Thomas A. Edison has re- When that craft was making a subquested decision reserved on his sub- merged run off Newport last Septemmarine storage battery until its worth is proved in the E-2 was made known yesterday at his laboratory in West Treach the surface the men inhaled much gas. Commander Gillam is now tested sharply at the Brooklyn Navy at the government sanitarium at Las Yard for 13 months, but Mr. Edison Animas, Colo., so severely were his wishes a conclusive showing in actual lungs affected.

undersea service.

"The history of the invention was told yesterday. In 1910 Lieuts Mc-Nair, Ellyson, Warren and Miles visited Mr. Edison at his laboratory and asked him to concentrate his efforts on the invention of a storage battery containing chemicals that would not attack fastenings in submarines, and which, when reached by sait water, would not generate chlorine gas or chlorine gas.

Acid Holes Let in Water.

"It was found that sulphuric acid from the batteries in the boat had eaten a hole through the main ballast tank plates that surround the battery compartment. When under pressure in diving the plates were strained and sait water was admitted to the battery tank. Coming in contact with the sulphuric acid the water produced Acid Holes Let in Water

capped because the submarines using satisfied with the 13-months' test of lead batteries had to lay up once a his battery, Mr. Edison said:

year to have the batteries overhauled. "'Of course, that is good news, but let no judgment be passed until the battery has been actually used in a

boats will be increased. It is said the strategical value of the submarines ovygen gas generated by lead batterwill be increased 40 per cent.

May Dive More Abruptly.

"Furthermore, it is asserted, because of the nature of the construction of the battery, submarines may dive at an angle of 60 degrees, whereas formerly the sharpest permissible angle was 15 degrees.

It is said the lafter the ignition of hydrogen and ovygen gas generated by lead batterwies. Makers of lead batteries resent the assertion that the Edison battery differing only in size. They assert further, that the Edison battery is as likely to permit the presence of chlorine gas as a lead type battery. the assertion that the Edison battery VALUE OF LINERS IS

# LINE OF U.S. NAVY INTO SHAP

he threatening aspect of the dispute with Germany The Tribune has ob-tained the following statement of our military preparedness from an expert whose name cannot be revealed.

The first line of the navy could be four months by concentrating upon it be filled up among recently retired sailors and by drafting men from the vessels of secondary importance. The state of discipline in the navy, never as high as the best European navies, has considerably deteriorated under the influence of Secretary Daniels, and practise With Coast Guns.

would need fully this time to bring it For heavy field artiflery, of which

up to battle condition. Target Practise Below Par.

The target practise is also far heow the efficiency of the English and Germans before the start of war, and its efficiency has been decreasing while that of the English and Germans has been bettered during the months of tension.

To man the rest of the ships of the navy and to drill the crews and to put them in battle condition would take at least one, more likely two years and then the lack of scout boats, adequate submarines and supply vessels would prevent the fleet from . being effective as a unit. The most that could be hored from it would be that it might work as a part of the allied navies, its deficiencies being smiplemented by the other countries.

The ammunition supply could not possibly be provided in this country. but could probably be purchased from England or France.

Have Nucleus for Army.

As to the army, of course we have no army. We have the makings of an army, and if they were utilized to Good Army in Six Months. the best possible efficiency we could have a presentable force capable of had not interfered, there would be an operating in defense of New England army capable of acting on the defen and New York in from six to 12 sive in the United States. In the suc-

pines. Hawaii, the canal zone, Cuba, would be in share for action over seas and gentlemen) are invited to join Alaska and Porto Rico, who would be During this training both officers and by paying a monthly fee of \$1.

Te Granulated Eyelids,

Two great efforts would have to be made: to get good officers and to get Tour Druggist's 50c per Bottle. Murine Eye laver Tubes? Sc. For Book of the Eye Freezak Druggist of Murine Eye Bassat Co., Chicago Jobs, and neither men ner officers appropriate to get group of needs and to get rid of bad officers.

Mistake Known Too Late.

Untrained troops are frequently as anxious to retain ineffice ent officers as are inefficient officers to hold their policy.

of Anonymous best national guard troops should be used for this perpose, but those somewhat tacking in discipline, because it is easier to discipline volunteer troops in foreign service than at home.

Dune recently pub

The best national guard regiments should be mustered in in their present the gangrene which follows. These condition and as many regislar officers.

condition and as many regular officers cases are among the men serving as as can be spared should be distributed outposts on mountain summits, some among them.

ed by making every battalion the core less for hours at a time. The danger of a regiment, adding to it two battal of freezing will increase with the apput in fighting sliape in from three to found by promoting existing officers, encrmous energy. The crews could by promoting competent regular sol-be filled up among recently retired diers, and by selections from private warmer garments of every description

> The field artillery would be used in the same method as the infantry and cavalry to expand into greater numbers of field batteries.

> we have none in the United States, we would take our coast artillery men, who are accustomed to the handling

and firing of heavy gons. These would continue training with their guns and would practise maneuvering dummies while heavy field guns were being constructed, so that when these guns were ready there would be gun crews After three months' preliminary

training in camps the assembling of the field force would begin by concentrating such troops as were sufficiently instructed to act as soldiers. To this field army the garrisons in the outly ing parts would have a right to come by showing greater efficiency than some of the new units at home, which would be sent out to take their places. The field army delivered in size, it would give the general officers an on portunity to practise maneuvers, an opportunity which American generals never have had In this way, inefficient general officers could be weeded out before they brought a catastrophe upon their troops.

At the end of six months, if politics ceeding menths its efficiency would The first step would be to recall to increase rapidly and at the end of a tra rehearsals the first Tuesday in America all the troops in the Philin year, if thought advisable, this army

of no use there, and in case of naval soldiers who were found physically uncatastrophe would fall certain prey to fit for active duty would be mustered the enemy. Their places should be into a reserve training corps and taken by national guard regiments would set to work training the remustered under the colors. Not the serves to fill up the front line and eventually become first line troops

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reciate their mistake until confronted with the necessity of going into action when it is too late to remedy the error. The question of equipment, other than heavy field artiflery, would not be serious. The supply of rifles on hand and the capacity of the government arsenals would supply all needs in this as no field artillery other than that needed for target practise would be used, the accumulation of an adequate supply would be a simple matter.

There would be the usual trouble with inventions in that foolish plans would be resented by noisy outcry, but these and many other disagree-able, not to say horrible things are unavoidable if this country goes to war.

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angle was 15 degrees.

Of chlorine gas as a lead type battery

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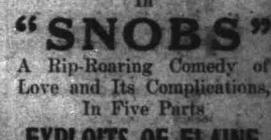
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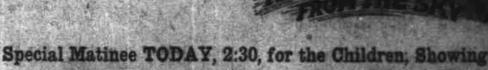
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